Docket No.: 55071-129

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In re Application of

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Bruce W. SMITH

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For: OPTICAL PROXIMITY CORRECTION METHOD UTILIZING GRAY BARS AS SUB-RESOLUTION ASSIST

FEATURES

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	18	22	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	8	8	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time			\$0.00
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations			\$0.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire February 4, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the pending rejections for the reasons set forth below.